Lauded environmental activist shares views as part of Stinson Lecture Series

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(LINDSAY) Like the Titanic headed for that fateful collision, it seems humanity is on a collision course with disaster.

Climate change, discontent with democracy and an ever-growing gap between the rich and the rest of us seem to spell mankind's doom.

Yet, there's reason for optimism if people can put aside old prejudices and habits, and care for each other and the Earth.

It's a concept in which the Very Reverend Bill Phipps - a former moderator of the United Church of Canada and long-time social justice activist - has great belief.

Rev. Phipps, whose book Cause for Hope: Humanity at the Crossroads offers a new path for the future, is also an activist committed to battling climate change and working to give a voice to the oppressed. He will share his experience and insights as part of Cambridge Street United Church's Stinson Memorial Lecture Series taking place Sunday, Nov. 18 at 2 p.m.

Admission is free, and all members of the community are welcome to attend. Rev. Phipps will also speak to Lindsay Collegiate and Vocational Institute and I.E. Weldon Secondary School students on Monday, Nov. 19.

"It's easy to get caught up in fear and focus on protecting ourselves, but Bill Phipps offers us a much more hopeful, positive vision of how to live," states series organizing committee member Wanda Percival. "It's a vision that speaks to all of us, but especially to young people who want to challenge the old ways of doing things."

The Stinson Memorial Lecture Series is funded by the proceeds of a bequest left by Cambridge Street member T.H. Stinson, a prominent Lindsay lawyer and Member of Parliament, in memory of his beloved wife Ella.

Phipps's presentation will include time for questions from the audience.

Refreshments will be served afterward in Cambridge Hall.

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